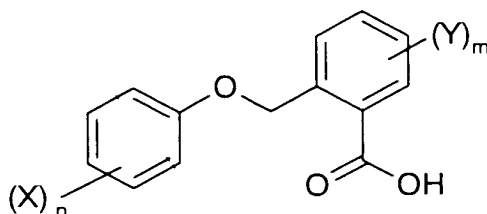


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m a value from 0 to 4 and

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which comprises drying the water- and/or solvent-wet
 phenoxymethylbenzoic acids at a temperature in the range from
 1° to 25°C above their melting point under the reaction
 25 conditions used.

2. A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the drying is
 carried out at temperatures in the range from 130° to 240°C
 under atmospheric pressure.

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3. A process as claimed in either of claims 1 and 2, wherein
 solvent residues are partly removed by washing with water
 before drying.

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4. A process as claimed in any of claims 1 to 3, wherein a
 phenoxymethylbenzoic acid with a water and/or solvent content
 of from 0.1 to 50% by weight is employed.

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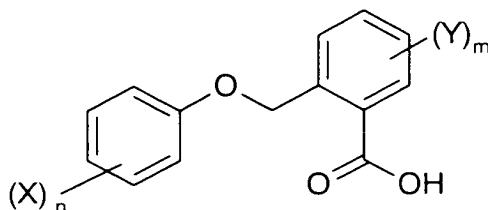
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